



NOTICE OF 30-DAY PUBLIC COMMENT PERIOD
Mann Tanning Supplies Site
2424 Old Buncombe Road, Greenville, South Carolina

DHEC (the South Carolina Department of Health and Environmental Control) is accepting public comments on a proposed Voluntary Cleanup Contract through March 9, 2014.

The Voluntary Cleanup Contract, 13-6242-NRP, will affect approximately 1.2 acres identified by tax map number 0154001100100. A company known as 555 Kerns, LLC (Kerns) wants to buy the property from its current owners. This Voluntary Cleanup Contract will be between DHEC and Kerns.

The property was used as a grocery store, a gas station, and an auto body repair facility. General location uses around the property include several gas stations to the north, residential property to the east and south, and mixed commercial/residential property to the west.

Kerns intends to redevelop the property to be used as a Family Dollar retail store. If this Voluntary Cleanup Contract is implemented, DHEC will allow Kerns to acquire the property as a "Brownfields Site" because of the potential for environmental pollution. Kerns did not create the pollution, but will take steps to control it to keep the property safe for re-use.

DHEC will not hold Kerns responsible for the pre-existing pollution in exchange for doing work under the Voluntary Cleanup Contract. Under State law, Kerns will not be responsible if anyone is affected by the contamination. Entering into this contract does not reduce the responsibility of any former owners or operators of the site.

Under the proposed contract, Kerns will test soil and groundwater from the property. If significant contamination is found, Kerns will be required to take additional steps to protect human health and the environment.

DHEC uses Voluntary Cleanup Contracts to return Brownfield sites to productive reuse. The proposed contract is available at <http://www.scdhec.gov/environment/lwm/publicnotice.htm>. Printed copies may be obtained from the DHEC Freedom of Information Office at (803) 898-3882.

The public may provide written, email, or telephone comments on the proposed contract through March 9, 2014. Questions or comments may be directed to Alex Fulmer, email FulmerWA@dhec.sc.gov, telephone (803) 898-0932, or TOLL-FREE telephone (866) 576-3432. Written comments should be directed to either individual at SCDHEC, 2600 Bull Street, Columbia, SC 29201.